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NETWORK CONTROL SYSTEM, AND
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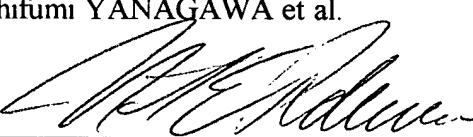
- a. a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
- b. a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
- c. the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
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- e. the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference: WO 98/48543 corresponds to EP 0978965A1

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